

2024/25 Orange County Florida Opioid Settlement Fund Implementation Plan

Overview

This implementation plan outlines how Orange County, Florida, intends to allocate and utilize the opioid settlement funds in alignment with Schedules A and B requirements of the opioid settlement. This plan details the specific areas of focus, the amount of funds dedicated to each area, and any associated hiring, fixed capital outlay projects, and vehicle purchases.

Funding Allocation

Schedule A: Core Strategies

The following areas will be funded in alignment with Schedule A:

Treatment for Incarcerated Population:

Recovery support, including MAT for persons with OUD and co-occurring SUD/MH disorders within and transitioning out of the criminal justice system.

- **Amount:** \$80,000
- **Description:** Hire case MAT manager in the Orange County Jail
- **Hiring:** Hire a case manager to be in the Corrections Health Services Division in the Orange County Jail.
- **Capital Outlay:** N/A
- **Vehicle Purchases:** N/A

Schedule B: Approved Uses

The following areas will be funded under Schedule B:

LEADERSHIP, PLANNING AND COORDINATION

Lead regional planning to identify root causes of addiction and overdose, goals for reducing harms related to the opioid epidemic, and areas and populations with the greatest needs for treatment intervention services.

- **Amount:** \$125,000
- **Description:** The Public Health and Safety Team (PHAST) is a CDC program developed to help local jurisdictions reduce overdose deaths by increasing collaboration and coordination among all sectors, focusing on public health and public safety agencies.
- **Hiring:** A clinical social worker will be employed to organize and facilitate community response to opioid overdose abatement and behavioral/medical treatment.
- **Capital Outlay:** N/A
- **Vehicle Purchases:** N/A

Develop a dashboard to share reports, recommendations, or plans to spend opioid settlement funds; report program or strategy outcomes; or track, share, or visualize key opioid-related or health-related indicators and supports identified through collaborative statewide, regional, local, or community processes.

- **Amount:** \$125,000
- **Description:** Data analyses of treatment interventions and community substance use surveillance review.
- **Hiring:** A research statistician will be hired to collect and review Orange County data on opioid abatement interventions, overdoses, and overdose deaths.
- **Capital Outlay:** N/A
- **Vehicle Purchases:** N/A

Conclusion

This implementation plan provides a comprehensive approach to utilizing the opioid settlement funds that align with Schedules A and B stipulations. Through strategic investment in prevention, treatment, recovery, public awareness, and law enforcement support, the Orange County Region aims to significantly reduce the impact of the opioid crisis in our community.